Half a year after the tragic attack on Pearl Harbor, Ed Lindsay reported for military duty on May 29, 1942. It was around this time that American victories at Midway and the Coral Sea marked a positive turning point in the War in the Pacific. He followed orders as he was moved all around the country for training, and completed Ranger training at Fort Benning, Georgia. On Christmas Day in 1943, while most Americans were at home with friends and family, Mr. Lindsay landed in Scotland with about 11,000 other troops ready for action.

Mr. Lindsay and his unit trained exceptionally hard for several months prior to D-Day. Then at 7:00 a.m. on that historic morning of June 6, 1944, he and his men landed on Normandy Beach to carry out Operation Overlord. He was given a top secret clearance, meaning he had access to a broad range of restricted information. Top secret clearance is only given to the most honest and honorable military men and women. Mr. Lindsay saw France, fought in Germany during the famous Battle of the Bulge, Austria, and eventually Hungary until the war in Europe was declared over. At the conclusion of the fighting in Europe, he was awarded two Bronze Star Medals in heroism in ground combat. A Bronze Star Medal for heroism is the fourth-highest combat award in the military. Mr. Lindsay was also awarded five Bronze Battle Stars for his five campaigns in Europe, and a Bronze Arrowhead for the D-Day landing. His unit was awarded a Distinguished Military Unit Presidential Citation, which is only given to units for extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy after the attack on Pearl Harbor. Ed's stay in Europe came to an end in Hungary, thus turning over another page in his life. His legacy has only just begun.

After returning to the U.S., Mr. Lindsay became a professor of military tactics and science at Texas Tech University, where he met his future wife, Laneta Bechtol. Two years later in 1948, he resigned from the service and attended the South Texas School of Law for two years before being called back into the Army to triumph communist evil in the Korean War. He was the only officer in his brigade with a top secret clearance besides the general. Two years later, he was discharged and finally able to return home for good.

Upon arrival back in Houston, his legal career began to take shape. Mr. Lindsay took the bar exam with no further study or attending his last year of classes. He passed the exam the first time, and was licensed in 1953; A proud moment of many in his lifetime. He put himself through college, fought heroically in World War II, served in the Korean War, then came back and passed the bar exam. Many would be proud to say they've accomplished one of these feats.

Ed Lindsay has had many other outstanding moments in his legal career. In 1975 he became board certified to practice family law, and in 1987 civil appellate law. He took two cases to the Texas Supreme Court and won. Nine years after being certified in appellate law, Mr. Lindsay was elected to the board of directions of the State bar in 1996 and then to the North Harris County Bar Association in 1999. In Houston, Ed is still practicing today.

Madam Speaker, whether on the historic beaches of Normandy or in the courts of Texas, the patriotism and professionalism Mr. Lindsay exhibits demands recognition and

celebration. As residents of Texas, we are proud to call Ed Lindsay a Texan. As citizens of America, we are proud to call him an American

HONORING BYRON HIGH SCHOOL

HON. TIMOTHY J. WALZ

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, September 22, 2010

Mr. WALZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of Byron High School in Byron, Minnesota.

Last week, Byron High School was one of two schools in the First District of Minnesota to be recognized as a 2010 National Blue Ribbon School. This award recognizes consistently high performing schools that continue to hold its students and teachers to the highest standards.

As a teacher on leave from Mankato West, I know how important and challenging it can be to keep student achievement high from year to year. It takes an outstanding commitment to improving education, a strong push for high expectations and incredible amounts of work. But, when students see every adult in their school dedicated to their success, they are motivated to do their best.

Byron High School's strong reading and math scores show how all staff members, from the principal to the counselors to the teachers, are devoted to students reaching their full potential. Under the leadership of Principal Michael Duffy, Bryon High School is a place where every student, every year, will receive a high-quality education that will help them succeed.

This award recognizes what the Byron community already knows—Byron High School is a place where every student, no matter their background, can fulfill their potential. Byron High School is an outstanding model of achievement for schools across Minnesota and the country.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring Byron High School for their outstanding commitment to the students of Minnesota.

TRIBUTE TO SAN LORENZO BRANCH LIBRARY

HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, September 22, 2010

Mr. STARK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the San Lorenzo, California Branch of the Alameda County Library as the Branch celebrates its 100th Anniversary. The Library was the first branch of the Alameda County Library system and opened on November 25, 1910.

The San Lorenzo Branch Library continues to be an integral part of the San Lorenzo community. It opens doors to books, music, movies, Internet access, afterschool programs, and job searches. The library also runs programs to provide free legal assistance, storytime for children, and computer instruction classes to help job seekers with basic computer skills.

Other Library programs include Homework Central, which supports excellence in school

achievement in collaboration with the San Lorenzo Unified School District. Programs for seniors such as Older Driver Safety and Seniors Making Daily Activities Easier provide essential safety, health and financial information.

The unincorporated areas of Cherryland and Ashland also benefit from the San Lorenzo Branch Library. 239,176 items are checked out of the library annually. Over the last fiscal year, 180,420 individuals visited the San Leandro Branch Library.

Over 1.5 million people in Alameda County have library cards and the residents of San Lorenzo, Ashland and Cherryland have 68,459 library cards. The San Lorenzo Branch Library is a valued treasure.

I join the community in applauding the Library for its 100 years of exemplary service. The Library and its personnel have enriched many of the library's visitors and patrons through the years. I send best wishes for the continued success of this unique and wonderful institution.

I am pleased to recognize this milestone anniversary of the San Leandro Branch Library.

RECOGNIZING OLIVER KUTTNER AND EDISON2 TEAM

HON. THOMAS S.P. PERRIELLO

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, September 22, 2010

Mr. PERRIELLO. Madam Speaker, today I wish to recognize Oliver Kuttner and the Edison2 team for their victory in the Progressive Automotive X Prize competition. Their leadership in developing the affordable and efficient American-made technology of tomorrow is an inspiration to us all.

The Very Light Car, which took home the first prize in the X Prize competition, is a groundbreaking technological innovation. Its aerodynamic design, combustion engine, and use of lightweight materials allows it to achieve 102.5 miles per gallon, and it has the lowest carbon footprint of any car entered in the X Prize competition. These properties helped the Very Light Car beat contestants from around the world to win the first prize of \$5 million. It is a testament to the power of American ingenuity and to the tremendous promise of American made-technology for the future.

I am proud to say that the Edison2 team is only getting started. These world-class engineers, scientists and machinists are blazing the path towards the future of efficient, sustainable, and American-made transportation. They will now work to incorporate their innovations into commercial car production, leading the way to the new energy economy. I congratulate them on their innovations, and I eagerly anticipate their future triumphs.

IN HONOR OF KEVIN WILSON

HON. MICHAEL N. CASTLE

OF DELAWARE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, September 22, 2010

Mr. CASTLE. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I pay tribute today to Kevin Wilson, the outgoing President of the Delaware Volunteer Firemen's Association (DVFA).